



ALLIES REGAIN TOWN LOST ON YPRES FRONT

British Attacks Halt Kaiser's Troops in Advance Upon Calais—Canal Held.

French Regain Part of Lost Ground Between Steenstraete and Poelcappelle by Furious Counter Assaults. English Losses Heavy.

Great Battle Still Raging in Flanders. Both Armies Rush All Available Reinforcements to Scene of Activity—Berlin Withdraws Troops From Russian Front.

A decided check for the German drive on Calais has been effected by the British troops operating to the northeast of Ypres, in which section the French were driven back yesterday. By a series of rapid attacks the British recaptured Poelcappelle, while in the vicinity of Steenstraete the French also advanced. Further to the north the Belgians are giving violent battle to the Germans, who still hold a footing on the ground gained on the west bank of the Yser Canal.

The official report from the German General Staff, issued this afternoon, states that the Allies' attempt to gain their lost ground has failed, and that the Germans on the west bank of the Ypres Canal had stormed Lisserne, which is about half a mile southwest of Steenstraete. The number of allied forces taken prisoners has been increased to 2470 and the number of cannon captured to 35.

Along the entire line a fiercely contested battle is raging, and the Germans are making desperate attempts to break through the Allies' lines and continue their advance on Calais. Reinforcements for the Kaiser's troops are being brought up from other points in the western war zone and from the Russian front. The German losses were very great in their successful drive yesterday, when they crossed the Yser Canal and took four towns, including Langemark.

Patrol reports, via official bulletins from the front, that Russian troops have forced their way within a couple of miles of the northern end of Usok Pass. Their artillery is shelling the town and heights of Sandk. Hill No. 1335, to the northwest, was taken by storm.

Russian cavalry has invaded East Prussia at two points in the sector which has as objective Memel, the

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THE WEATHER

FAIR. It is about this time of year that weather conditions on Saturday and Sunday assume a considerable importance. In winter half-holidays on Saturday are not the general thing, and it is a little early for that even yet. But from now on the great outdoors has an irresistible appeal and a gloomy week-end is a tragedy. So it is that a day like today should be the motive for genuine poems of praise, for those weather gods-of-things-as-they-ought-to-be-but-seldom-are. Even if you can't get away this afternoon to see the Phils make it nine straight, it will probably be clear tomorrow, and you will have a splendid opportunity to get the winter stiffness out of your bones and a little pure ozone into your lungs.

Go to it.

RISE IN MEAT PRICES ONLY OF SHORT DURATION

Dealers Say They Will Not Increase Retail Figures.

Although prices and opinions of butchers throughout the city differ widely as to the present general high price of meat, the majority say that the consumer has no cause to worry, for the reason that the high price of wholesale meat, which causes the high retail rate, is only a temporary fluctuation, and will be down to normal in a short time.

Housewives in West Philadelphia were alarmed at the rise of lamb and pork. Lamb rose from 25 to 27 and 28 cents a pound, while pork climbed from 37 and 38 cents to 42 and 43 cents a pound within two weeks.

In the northern section of the city the same prices were found, with South Philadelphia prices a little cheaper. At the Reading Terminal Market retail butchers reported a rise in wholesale meats from two to four cents a pound on lamb and pork, but said that it would only be temporary, and that they would not raise their retail prices, with the exception of chops, which went up five cents on the pound. Spring is the high-price season for meats, they said, and everything would be normal in a short time.

HARRY TUCKER, SHOT BY GUNMAN, FOLLOWS COMRADE TO GRAVE

Detective, Fatally Wounded in Arresting Miller, Expires After Heroic Fight for Life—Dying, He Lives Over Tragedy.

Detective Harry Tucker died today at the Episcopal Hospital. He had been hovering between life and death since March 25, when Jacob, alias "Doggie" Miller, a 21-year-old desperado, fatally wounded him and murdered Detective James Manely. The young gunman and former sailor now will be tried on a charge of double murder.

With the exception of a nurse, Tucker, whose death makes seven children fatherless, was alone when he breathed his last. His wife saw him alive for the last time at 9 o'clock last night. At that time the wounded detective was delirious and Mrs. Tucker was urged to return to her home at 5741 Woodland avenue. She left her husband's bedside reluctantly. Shortly before daylight this morning Tucker had a sinking spell. Powerful restoratives failed to arouse him. For a short time he lived over again in memory the incidents leading up to the shooting. Once or twice he mentioned the name of the brother officer who gave his life in a futile attempt to save him. At 8 o'clock his family was notified that it would be useless to try to reach his cot in time to see him again. He breathed his last at five minutes after 6 o'clock.

FUNERAL PLANS MAY FAIL. Although the police are making arrangements to give the dead detective a funeral with the same high honors accorded Detective Manely, this may be prevented owing to the fact that Tucker's death is believed to have been due to bacteriological diphtheria which resulted from the bullet in his spine. Dr. L. H. Mutchler, who had the detective under his personal care while he was making his brave fight to live, will have a consultation today with Coroner's Physician Wadsworth and Chief Medical Inspector Cairns. This will be held to decide whether it will be possible for Tucker to have a public funeral.

Two weeks ago cultures showed positive traces of diphtheria in the dying detective's blood. Several days after this discovery, Miss Grace Salomon, one of

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WANDERING BOYS BROUGHT SAFELY HOME

Teddy Bordhin and Casimer Geibel, Missing All Night, Gave Cheltenham a Fright.

Two mothers were nearly overcome with joy today when their little sons, weather-beaten and tired, but happy, were returned to them from all Cheltenham and the surrounding countryside had searched through the night in the woods and swamps for miles around the spot where the boys were last seen. The children had walked 12 miles during the night.

The boys are 5-year-old Theodore Bordhin, son of Fire Chief Alexander M. Bordhin, and 7-year-old Casimer Geibel, Jr., son of Casimer Geibel, a decorator artist, who lives at the Moyer Studios, 41 North 11th street. They were returned to their parents shortly after 11 o'clock today, by "Little Teddy's" grandmother, Mrs. Louisa Bordhin, of Pottstown and Jenny Geibel, who the children appeared, tired and hungry, early this morning.

The tale told between tears and hugs by "Little Teddy" as he sat in his mother's lap reads like a fairy story. He and Casimer played near Jeand's Woods, near Cheltenham, yesterday and found a make-believe automobile, with a soapbox body and real wheels. Climbed into the car, they toured down a road, with Teddy furnishing the locomotive power. Country roads are not built for make-believe automobiles, and their "machine" broke down. It was dark before they decided that they couldn't fix it.

They were far from home. Teddy decided it would be best to go to see his grandmother, whose sick bed he was to be relieved for. When Casimer heard he was to be left alone, he was afraid to go home alone through the darkness. He decided to stick by Teddy. Through the darkness they trudged steadily to the woods, until dawn found them near the city. It was a wide-eyed and frightened grandmother who welcomed and fed them, and then took them home.



COLONEL ROOSEVELT ON THE STAND. A characteristic pose of the ex-President caught by the camera man at the Barnes-Roosevelt libel trial in Syracuse.

PHILADELPHIA THUG, JUST OUT OF PRISON, SLAYS BENEFACTRESS

Crushes Head of Woman That Gave Him Work Because He Was German. Tears Jewels From Her Body.

A former inmate of the Philadelphia County Prison at Holmesburg is being sought today throughout the East for one of the most brutal murders in the criminal history of New York. He is Joseph Hanel, who was sent to Holmesburg for two years April 22, 1913, on charges of carrying concealed deadly weapons.

Hanel is accused of beating to death Mrs. Julia Heilner, wife of S. L. Heilner, vice president of the Princeton Carpet Company, who had befriended him in the belief that he was a German reservist, unable to reach and fight for his country. She was found dead in the kitchen of her home at 217 Albemarle road, Flatbush, Brooklyn, her head crushed in with a beer bottle and a rope twisted tightly about her neck.

Unprecedented efforts to catch Hanel are under way. Two photographs of him are posted today in almost every public place in Greater New York. A close watch is being kept on a restaurant in Hoboken, where there is a girl in whom Hanel is known to be interested. The police think he will go there sooner or later.

Seven weeks ago, just after he had been released from Holmesburg, Hanel went to the Seaman's Mission, in New York. He pretended he had been employed on the Vaterland, the big German liner now interned in Hoboken. Through the mission he obtained work at the Heilner home. Mrs. Heilner was a German. All her sympathies were with the Fatherland. She thought that by employing her countryman she would be helping the cause of her native land. She made no investigation of Hanel's record and had no knowledge of his criminal career.

A chain of circumstantial evidence against Hanel is being put together, link by link, by the police. The man was seen walking away from the house five minutes before the body of Mrs. Heilner was found. He had under his arm a small package, about the size of a shoe box. This would be just large enough to hold the jewelry stolen from the Heilner home.

Beeflion measurements of Hanel have been supplied to the New York police by Captain of Detective Cameron. Twenty-five thousand circulars containing these measurements of the man have been sent throughout the East from New York. Not content with this, the New

NATIVE TROOPS REPULSE MOSLEM INVASION OF INDIA

Rajputs Meet First Attacks of Enemy on Border.

SIMLA, India, April 24. Native troops of the British army met the first assaults of the 400 Mohammedan soldiers who were defeated in their attempt to invade India. It was announced today. The Eighth Rajputs inflicted heavy losses on the enemy, and the latter's rout was made complete when the King's regiment arrived.

As the Mohammedans led to the hills, British artillery shelled them, killing many. Most of the dead Mohammedans found on the battlefield appeared to be youths.

GIRL THIEVES FORM BAND

Unusual Organization of Culprits Disclosed to Police.

A band of girl thieves who ply their trade in stores under the guise of prospective purchasers, was disclosed to the police today.

DREW PULLS TENDON, BUT GREAT SPRINTER WILL TRY RACE TODAY

Accident Occurred Last Night While Trying to Warm Up—Great Interest at Penn Carnival in One-mile College Race.

FRANKLIN FIELD, April 24.—A midsummer sun greeted the thousands of athletes and spectators who assembled here this afternoon for the second day of the University of Pennsylvania monger relay carnival. A hair an hour before the games were scheduled to begin, there were 560 inside the big amphitheatre, while 534 street was filled with the throng.

It was learned at noon that Howard Drew, of the University of California, the sensational sprinter and joint holder of the world 100-yard record had broken down. The accident occurred last night when he was taking a few sprints at the close of yesterday's event. He pulled the tendon in his right thigh, the same injury which put him out of competition at the Olympic games at Stockholm in 1912. Drew had his leg strapped last night and again this morning, and announced that he would run in spite of the injury, and that he hoped to be able to win.

If weather and track conditions today count for anything, there probably will be a new record made at Franklin Field in the one-mile relay. This event always has been the feature of the Penn Relays. The other events for this afternoon on the cinder path and in the field will be no less closely contested than the mile relay and the chances are that other marks also will be lowered before the afternoon is over. As far as the mile relay is concerned, Penn appears to have a shade the best chance of any college not only to capture the event but to set a new mark. In Ted Meredith, Don Lippincott, Lockwood and Kauffman, Coach Orton has a team which, judging them by past performances, will be able to make the distance in 3:17, which is 1-1/2 seconds better than

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PREACHER SLAIN IN BED; CHILD SPARED; WIFE HELD

Woman Arrested When She Tells Police of Mysterious Shooting.

WILCOCHESVILLE, Ga., April 24.—This section of Georgia is in a fever of excitement today over the murder of the Rev. Allen Haskin and the arrest of his wife, charged with the crime. Mrs. Haskin is in jail awaiting a hearing, which will be had in a day or two.

The Rev. Mr. Haskin was shot through the heart as he slept with his little child huddled close. The child was not harmed. The tragedy was not known until Mrs. Haskin notified the city authorities that her husband had been murdered.

COP SCORN'S PARTNERSHIP

Refuses to Help Woman "Detective" on Case and Arrests Her Instead.

"I'm a detective." A woman in black, mysterious in movement and voice, whispered this contemptuously to Policeman Farber at Board and Berks streets.

"You're to help me on a big case," she added when the cop looked startled. "Ah, I know the case," said Farber. "Some with me." They chatted pleasantly as he escorted her to a large building at 30th and Berks streets, which proved to be a police station.

Neither the police lieutenant nor Magistrate Morris knew about the mysterious case and then the judge remembered that the woman had been annoying policemen for several weeks.

JURY ACQUITS CLAY, WIGGINS AND WALLS OF \$300,000 SWINDLE

Holds Former Safety Director and Contractors Did Not "Conspire" to Cheat City by "Juggling" Contracts.

Once Convicted and Granted New Trial, Politicians Win When Former City Architect, Already Freed, Takes All Responsibility.

Henry Clay and his two contractor associates were acquitted today by a jury in the court of Oyer and Terminer at their second trial on the charge of conspiracy to cheat the city. Two years ago Clay, John B. Wiggins and Willard H. Walls, contractors, were found guilty at their first trial.

Acquittal on the criminal charge will not save Wiggins and Walls from prosecution in the civil suit brought by City Solicitor Michael J. Ryan to recover more than \$300,000 alleged overcharges in the construction of police stations and fire and bath houses. The City Solicitor said, following the acquittal, that the case will be called in the next Common Pleas Court in June.

Direct evidence was produced several times in the course of the trial that John R. Wiggins & Co. got much more for materials than they were worth. In one instance it was testified by a man who had qualified as an expert that the contractors got more than \$10,000 more for the work than its actual value.

SENTENCED TO JAIL. Sentences of not less than 18 months and not more than two years imprisonment were given Clay, Wiggins and Walls by Judge Staples, who presided at the first trial. They also were sentenced to pay fines of \$500 each.

An appeal was taken by the three convicted men to the Superior Court, which granted a new trial. The basis of this was that the charge of Judge Staples to the jury had not been fair. The first trial consumed four weeks. Carl B. Zilenziger, former city architect, who was indicted with Clay, Wiggins and Walls and acquitted at the first trial, assumed virtually all responsibility for changes made in plans and specifications on which the Commonwealth based its case. Zilenziger, in the words of Judge Ferguson, who presided at the trial just ended, was the "only man in the world who could not be drawn into the case."

QUICK VERDICT A SURPRISE. The jury was out but a short time today, and its verdict came as a distinct surprise to the crowd in the courtroom, although throughout the trial there has been strong opinion among spectators.

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THAW'S JOY CUT SHORT

Sobered by Attorney General's Purpose to Appeal.

NEW YORK, April 24.—Harry K. Thaw's joy over the granting of a jury trial to test his present mental status was short-lived, when he learned today that Attorney General Woodbury would ask for a stay of execution from the Appellate Court on Judge Hendrick's order.

That the argument of whether Judge Hendrick had the power to order a jury trial may even reach the Court of Appeals is not considered improbable. If the Appellate Court should uphold the Supreme Court's ruling, the State auditor of the State court, at the highest court in the State. This probably would mean a delay until fall.

"I WANT BOOZE," CRIES MAN ATTACKING WIFE

Pete Bednarsky Assaults Mother and Child, Demanding Last Quarter She Had.

"I don't care anything about the baby's milk; I want the quarter for booze." Pete Bednarsky caught his frail, sick wife by the throat as he growled this declaration and lunged her on the kitchen floor of their home at 11 Lock street. The infant fell from her arms and cried, and the heartbroken mother picked it up. Bednarsky reached for the quarter, which was in a box on a table.

"It's all I have for food for all of us," the woman cried as she fell upon her knees. She clutched the bowl in both hands. Her husband pulled it from her and brought the bowl down on her head. It missed the baby by a narrow margin. Two other little ones came running downstairs crying. Bednarsky pushed them aside and made for the door, but the door was blocked by Policeman Cavanaugh.

He heard the woman's screams and he knew Bednarsky. Between sobs his wife told the policeman that Bednarsky had the last quarter in the house and was taking it for booze. The "cop" forced him against the wall, took the coin from him and then took him to the Manayunk station.

"You are the worst brute in the city," said Magistrate Grell. "If I had my way I'd have you locked to a standstill and put in jail for life. You are the kind of an animal who preys around under the name of man to live upon the misery of others. I'll hold you in \$500 bail for court."

THE KENSINGTONING SAYS

Yank Deserter says he does not know what to do, get married or join the navy. We advise him to join the navy.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—On Sunday last, Chester ring, 15 small diamonds with a caratage aggregate value, platinum top, gold shank. Liberal reward if returned to Mrs. W. F. Palmer, 433 1/2 Old York road, Philadelphia.

CLASS VI RACE TO EASTON H. S.

Won by Easton High School; second, Pottsville High School; third, Bethlehem High School; fourth, Pottstown High School. Time, 3:07 3/8.

MIDLAND H. S. BEST CLASS VII TEAM. Won by Midland High School; second, Collingswood High School; third, Dupont High School; fourth, Hatfield High School. Time, 3:04 3/8.

EAST ORANGE A WINNER IN CLASS VIII. Won by East Orange High School; second, Downingtown High School; third, Media High School; fourth, Lower Merion High School. Time, 3:35 3/8.

RADNOR H. S. VICTORIOUS. Won by Radnor High School; second, Lansdowne High School; third, Newark East Side High School; fourth, Morristown High School. Time, 3:40.

CHALLENGER H. S. RETURNS WITH TROPHIES

Won by Cheltenham High School; second, Chester High School; third, Coopers City High School; fourth, Frankford High School. Time, 3:35 3/8.

VETERAN OF CIRCUS FALLS DEAD

John D. Young, 53 years old, for 25 years an official of the Barnum & Bailey circus, collapsed this afternoon in front of 914 Walnut street and died a few minutes later.

VERDICT BREAKS WILL DISTRIBUTING \$4,000,000

WASHINGTON, April 24.—A verdict breaking Stilson Hutchins' will, dated October 26, 1910, distributing a \$4,000,000 estate, was returned this afternoon. The jury found the aged millionaire was mentally incompetent. It decided also that undue influence or misrepresentation induced him to sign the instrument.

SUBMARINE SINKS FREIGHTER; CREW RESCUED

LONDON, April 24.—The British freighter Ruth was sunk by a German submarine in the North Sea Wednesday. The 16 men in her crew were rescued after drifting in small boats for many hours. The submarine torpedoed the steamship.

BRITISH BATTLESHIP SUNK BY GERMANS

WASHINGTON, April 24.—The German Embassy today announced that a British battleship was severely damaged in the last submarine attack on the Tyne. The statement reads: "According to information from a reliable source a British battleship was severely damaged in the last submarine attack on the Tyne."

TURKISH TROOPS SLAUGHTER ARMENIANS

TABRIZ, April 24.—Hundreds of Armenians in the Vilayet of Van have been massacred by Turkish troops, according to refugees who arrived here today. All the towns near Lake Van have been sacked, the Turkish police killing all the Christians who escaped the first attacks by the troops.

HEIR TO TITLE OF LORD DECIES BORN

LONDON, April 24.—An heir to the title of Lord Decies, who married Helen Vivien Gould, daughter of George J. Gould, was born today. This is the first son born in the Decies household. A daughter was born in August, 1912.

BUILDING HAS FOURTH FIRE IN SINGLE YEAR

Fire on the third floor of 1326 Arch street, occupied by the J. H. Shaw Company, manufacturers of advertising novelties, the firm of Common Councilman Shaw, of the 32d Ward, today did about \$3000 damage. According to the police, this is the fourth blaze which has occurred in the same building the last year.

WOMAN SUING FOR \$20,000 DIES AFTER OPERATION

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., April 24.—A second operation in Atlantic City Hospital proved fatal for Mrs. Eva Ayers Folsom, wife of the Rev. J. E. Folsom, plaintiff in a celebrated case against Dr. Emery Marvel, a noted shore surgeon. Mrs. Folsom charged that Doctor Marvel left a pair of forceps in her body after an operation several years ago. She asked for \$20,000. The jury disagreed.

HOLLAND ANGERED BY SINKING OF SHIP

THE HAGUE, April 24.—Holland, dissatisfied with the German position assumed in connection with the sinking of the steamship Zevenbergen, has asked the German Government to reopen its investigation. It is held that the dropping of bombs on the vessel by a German aviator was without warrant.

CHARLES BOUCHER GREEN DIES SUDDENLY

EASTON, Pa., April 24.—Charles Boucher Green, treasurer and regent of Lafayette College, died suddenly today, aged 50 years.